

young people across this nation is to "Just Say No" to drugs.

Bobby Johnson's law enforcement career has moved him throughout Louisiana and across the nation. Beginning in 1982, Mr. Johnson worked for the Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office in Shreveport, LA, serving in areas of corrections, patrol, public relation, and DARE; finally ending his 10 year tenure at the rank of Sergeant. In 1993, Bobby was recommended to be the Coordinator for the Louisiana DARE Training Center operated by the Red River Delta Law Enforcement Planning Council. After serving 6 years at this facility, the Louisiana DARE Officer's Association nominated Bobby for the office of 1st Vice President on the National DARE Officer's Association Board of Directors. Mr. Johnson won this election in Salt Lake City that would be a four year position on the board, progressing from 1st Vice President, to Vice President, to President, and concluding with Past President. Presently, the National DARE Officer's Association is holding their annual conference in Washington, DC between the 7th and 10th of July.

The Drug Abuse Resistance Education program is our nation's most prominent and visible attempt to educate young people to resist drug abuse. It reaches over 60% of elementary school children in the United States, and is far and away the most prevalent drug education program in use today.

Mr. Speaker, Bobby Johnson not only serves his country diligently, but also is a fine husband and proud father. He and his wife of 17 years, Kathy, have three beautiful daughters between the ages of 6 to 12.

I, along with his family, and all of the citizens of Louisiana, salute his accomplishments and his active leadership in educating the children of America to "Just Say No." Thank you Mr. Bobby Johnson.

THE CRUISE INDUSTRY

HON. MARK FOLEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 1999

Mr. FOLEY. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to address an issue that is central to our nation's economy, the tourism industry. As co-chairman of the Congressional Travel and Tourism Caucus, I believe this issue is worth bringing to the attention of the American public. The issue I wish to discuss is the vital role which the cruise industry plays in relation to our nation's economy and tourism industry.

In regard to our nation's economy, the cruise industry has made significant contributions. With more than five million annual passengers, the industry is a major contributor to the overall U.S. economy. In 1997 in my home state of Florida, the cruise industry was responsible for direct spending of \$2.1 Billion dollars and generated almost 59,000 jobs.

Companies such as those outlined below are but a few examples of domestic U.S. companies that depend on the cruise industry as a steady and important source of income:

Tourism support services such as provided by Amadeus, Strategic Cruise Line Services, and Image Photo Services;

Purchases of ship equipments, and supplies from vendors such as General Hotel and Restaurant, Harbour Marine Systems, International

Paint, Mobil Aviation and Marine Sales and Ecolab;

Corporate Services provided by companies such as Maritime Telecommunications Services, the Berkely Group, Howard Snoweiss Design Group and J. Walter Thompson;

Ship repair and maintenance provided by companies across the country such as Atlantic Marine of Mobile, AL., Todd Pacific shipyards of Seattle, WA., Cascade General of Portland, OR., Unitour Ship Services of Long Beach, CA., and United States Marine Repair which owns San Diego Shipyard, San Francisco Drydock and Norshipco in Norfolk, VA.

Food and beverage purchases are made in a number of states from such familiar sources as Coca-Cola, Kraft, Heinz, Nabisco, J.R. Simplot, Fresh Point, Sysco, Ernest & Julio Gallo, and Anheuser Busch. Every week, just one cruise ship will purchase approximately 25,000 pounds of food from U.S. suppliers—everything from beef, pork, chicken, seafood, cheese and other dairy products, to vegetables and fruit.

The cruise industry provides employment for thousands of U.S. citizens aboard its ships, in shoreside corporate jobs, and with its extensive network of suppliers. Cruise lines and their direct suppliers are the largest employer of U.S. citizens in the maritime sector of the United States.

Furthermore, the cruise industry also plays a significant role in our domestic transportation and lodging industry. The cruise industry is America's largest private-sector purchaser of U.S. airline tickets, accounting for more than four million tickets purchased annually. Pre- and post-cruise packages include lodging at some of the nation's largest hotel chains including: Hyatt, Intercontinental, Wyndham and Sheraton.

In view of the cruise industry's contributions, I am proud to highlight some of the benefits which the tourism industry provides to our economy. It is with this thought in mind that I continue to advocate the importance of both the cruise and tourism industries. Support for the cruise and tourism industries will generate jobs and additional revenues for the United States. In conclusion, Mr. Speaker, I wish to introduce several statistics for the record generated by a recent Price Waterhouse Cooper's economic analysis. I thank you for this time.

1997 CRUISE INDUSTRY ECONOMIC IMPACTS

DIRECT U.S. EXPENDITURES BY INDUSTRY—RESULTING FROM THE PASSENGER CRUISE INDUSTRY

	Millions
Air Travel	\$1,604
Food & Beverage	464
Financial Services	352
Business Services Including Advertising	351
Ship Maintenance and Repair	220
Other Transportation Services, Primarily Shore Tours	160
Petroleum Refining and Related Industries	143
Hotels and Lodging	124
Insurance	120
Entertainment	96
Other Durable Goods	78
Public Administration	67
Other Publishing and Printing	60
Nonresidential Construction	56
Fabricated Metal Products	55
Motor Vehicles and Parts	49
Other Communications	48
Retail Trade	40
Drugs, Soaps and Sundries	34

	Millions
Personal and Repair Services	22
Real Estate	19
Apparel and Other Finished Textile Products	19
All other industries	1,841
Total Direct Expenditures	6,150

Total Expenditures Resulting from the Cruise Industry 11,620

U.S. Job Impact of the North American Passenger Cruise Industry

	Total Jobs
Travel Agents, Shore Transportation & Other Transportation	\$26,465
Air Travel	25,702
Passenger Cruises	22,000
Business Services	18,451
Retail Trade	10,381
Hotels and Lodging	7,914
Wholesale Trade	7,619
Water Related Services, Primarily Ports	7,243
Membership and Misc. Services	5,894
Ship Maintenance and Repair	4,100
Food	3,714
Entertainment	3,525
Engineering & Management Services	2,486
Insurance	2,219
Banking	1,945
Construction	1,600
Fuel	473
Other Industries	24,702
Total	176,433

THE MURPHY-HARPST-VASHTI CAMPUSES

HON. BOB BARR

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 1999

Mr. BARR of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I urge those in Washington who believe government is the solution to every problem to visit the Murphy-Harpst-Vashti (MHV) campuses in the state of Georgia. Located across our state, the MHV programs are making a positive difference in the lives of young people.

MHV focuses its efforts on at-risk children. In other words, they help to turn the lives of endangered children around, and help them to become productive members of society. Each of the MHV agencies reaches out to the communities where they are located, identifies children who may become problems in their homes, schools, and neighborhoods, and extend a helping hand to them.

In an era when many social workers, teachers, and parents respond to troubled children by handing them prescription drugs and sending them on their way, the comprehensive approach to troubled children taken by the Murphy-Harpst-Vashti campuses provides a welcome change. I commend them for their work.

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SPEECH OF

HON. DEBBIE STABENOW

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 22, 1999

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my deep concern regarding H.